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OPERATIONS COORDINATING BOARD  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

October 21, 1953

MEMORANDUM TO PSB D-23 COORDINATION WORKING GROUP

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1. OCB has received a formal designation by the Department of State and informal designations from the other agencies of these members of the working group, set up in accordance with OCB vote-slip approval of terms of reference for coordination of PSB D-23:

State - Mr. Kenneth P. Landon (Chairman) (191-3558)  
Defense - Captain Charles H. Smith, USN (131-77683)  
Foreign Operations Administration - Mr. Allen Dines (140-3841)  
Central Intelligence Agency - [REDACTED]  
United States Information Agency - Mr. Frederic O. Bundy (1274-2388)

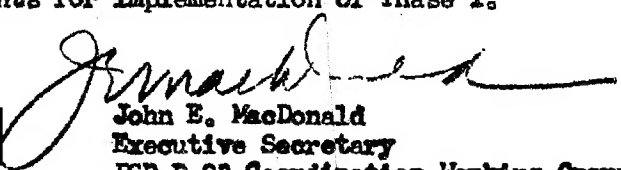
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The Executive Secretary will be John E. MacDonald, OCB, (1201-3709).

2. Mr. Landon is leaving for Thailand and Malaya on Monday, October 26, 1953. The purpose of his trip is set forth on page 32, para. c., (1) (b) of D-23. It is desirable that members of this working group transmit to Mr. Landon any suggestions they may have for specific agency needs in connection with their operational responsibilities, even though the group has not been formally constituted. A meeting is not planned, in view of the shortness of time, but will be held if members so request.

3. As soon as formal designations are received, which will permit agency representatives to present their respective views, a meeting will be held for organizational purposes. The group should also consider any inter-agency questions on item 3 of the terms of reference, the deadline of November 15 for completion of agency arrangements for implementation of Phase I.

On 13 Oct 53 Landon [REDACTED]  
L DCFE1 CFE4 + PTH + [REDACTED]

  
John E. MacDonald  
Executive Secretary  
PSB D-23 Coordination Working Group

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Remarks: 1) DCFE, CFE 4, FE 4 Reps + DCPP/FE met with Landon on 13 Oct and briefed him thoroughly. DCFE will see him again in the field. Field has been notified.

2) Des & Chatham agree that I am to be stuck with being the CIA up on the D-23 working group. Will you make the formal designation?

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